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1. European Patent Publication No. 0668701 A1, published August 23, 1995.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 6-19425, published January 28, 1994.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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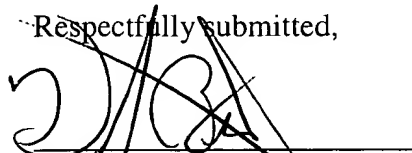
merits, but before a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), and therefore Applicant is filing concurrently herewith a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e). No fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses here with a copy of a corresponding Chinese Office Action dated October 24, 2003 and an English translation thereof which cites such documents and indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

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